view various provisions of the scheme had also recommended that the existing ceiling of loan amount of Rs. 6500/- should be continued considering the types of activities which are being selected for this class of beneficiaries. Further, per capita average credit disbursed under DRI scheme manifests that the scheme was still tilted in favour of small borrowers. Moreover, subsidy linked credit schemes like Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP), Self Employment Programme for Urban Poor (SEPUP) etc. are more attractive to the beneficiaries. Taking all the relevant factors into consideration, RBI is of the view that the existing ceiling of composite loan of Rs. 6500/- under DRI Scheme need not be raised for the present.

According to the RBI, per capita disbursement of credit under the DRI Scheme during the years 1983 to 1987 is as under:

Year	Per Capita disbursement under DRI Scheme (In Rs.)
1983	1084
1984	1249
1985	1204
1986	1323
1987	1274

Modernisation of textile mills

1657. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the rate of modernisation of the textile mills has decelerated considerably despite an average estimated investment of Rs. 200 crores per annum;

(b) if so, what are the main reasons for the slow pace of modernisation of textile industry;

(c) whether it is a fact that Industrial Development Bank of India indicated that about Rs. 182 crores were disbursed against the sanctioned amount of Rs. 483 crores; if so, what were the main reasons for slow disbursement of loans and the reasons for such a small amount of Rs. 182 crores being disbursed as against the demand for Rs. 817 crores; and

(d) what steps are being contemplated to import the textile modernisation plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM): (a) and (b) Judging from the response to the Textile Modernisation Fund Scheme and the other schemes for the purpose operated by the Industrial Development Bank of India etc., it can be presumed that there may not be any deceleration in the overall modernisation efforts by textile units.

(c) As on 31-8-88, disbursements under the Fund Scheme stood at Rs. 245.28 crores in 95 cases against sanctions of Rs. 620.53 crores in 144 cases. Disbursements of loan assistance is linked to the implementation schedule of the modernisation scheme. As the overall period of implementation is about 15 months there is bound to be time lag between sanctions and disbursements. In addition, proposal involving package of reliefs etc. from other agencies take a longer time and various other reasons could also delay disbursements unavoidably.

(d) The Policy for the import of textile machinery is reviewed from time to time depending upon the exigencies of the situation.

Deaths in police custody in the Capital

1658. SHRI HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the number of persons who died in police custody in all the police stations of Delhi and New Delhi between the period from

1st January, 1987 to 10th October, 1988?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): 2 persons in 1987 and 4 in 1988 (upto 31-10-88) died in police custody.

Clearance of Pepsi Cola from security angle

1659. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI PRITHIBI MAJHI:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Mr. Donald Kendall of Pepsi Cola has CIA influence having past record of destabilising Governments in South America, as reported in 'India Today' of 15th November, 1987 and might create instability in India in the guise of foreign collaboration between Pepsi and Punjab Agro;

(b) whether Government have taken any steps, like getting a report of Intelligence Bureau from the security angle on the proposed entry of Pepsi and its Chief Mr. Kendall; and

(c) if so, whether the Ministry have given a go-ahead from the se curity angle?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The report published in 'India Today' of November 15, 1987 has come to the notice of the Government.

(b) and (c) The visit of foreign nationals to Punjab are regulated through grant of restricted area permits after security vetting, wherever considered necessary. Government of Punjab had intimated that the number of foreign technicians who may be required to go to Punjab in connection with Pepsi Cola Project would be kept to the minimum.

Concessions announced in Tamil Nadu

1660. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of concessions have been announced in the Tamil Nadu on the 7th October, 1988;

(b) if so, what are the details of the concessions announced;

(c) what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) how far it will affect the revenue of the Exchequer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is annexed. [*See* below.]

(c) The main aim in announcing these measures is to improve the competitiveness of the existing industrial units, to accelerate industrial development in the State of Tamil Nadu, to increase production as well as employment opportunities and also to increase substantially the sales turnover.

(d) The shortfall in revenue, if any, cannot be quantified immediately as the impact of the concessions announced will be felt in due course. However, it is expected to result in increased industrial activity leading to increased sales turnover eventually augmenting the revenue to the State exchequer, offsetting any possible shortfall.